

## BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE 6/1/90

FULL NAME Walter C. Barnes SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER [REDACTED]  
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

ADDRESS [REDACTED]CITY Bellingham STATE WA ZIP CODE 98225DATE OF BIRTH 7/6/34 (This is important and should be exact)

APPROXIMATE AGE \_\_\_\_\_ (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)

RELIGION \_\_\_\_\_ NATIONALITY \_\_\_\_\_

OCCUPATION Cook

EDUCATION \_\_\_\_\_

WEIGHT 200 Lbs HEIGHT 5' 9" RACE CaucasianCOLOR OF HAIR Gray COLOR OF EYES Blue

OUTSTANDING CHARACTERISTICS OR INTERESTS \_\_\_\_\_

MARRIED OR SINGLE Single CHILDREN \_\_\_\_\_

(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

NAME OF SPOUSE \_\_\_\_\_

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

<u>UNIT #</u>	<u>CITY</u>	<u>STATE</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>DATE REGISTERED</u>	<u>DATE RESIGNED</u>
None					

SPECIAL RECOGNITION \_\_\_\_\_

SUSPENDED OR DENIED REGISTRATION FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

Classified as "sexual predator" by authorities--has conviction and has served prison time for child molestation.

SPECIFY THE FACTS WHICH LEAD YOU TO RECOMMEND DENIAL OF REGISTRATION AND LIST ATTACHED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS (STATE ONLY KNOWN FACTS, NOT RUMOR, CONJECTURE OR SPECULATION):

CONFIDENTIAL

JUN 12 1990

F. STARON

RS-509

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APPROVED

JUN 13 1990

JOSEPH L. ANGLIM

Signed [Signature]

SCOUT EXECUTIVE

Council Mount Baker Area Council

CONF005142

June 14, 1990

Mr. Jerry D. Hasting  
Scout Executive  
Mount Baker Area Council, No. 603

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Walter C. Barnes

Dear Jerry:

Thank you for the detailed information sent concerning the above Scouter.  
This case has been reviewed with our attorney and is now on our permanent  
Ineligible Volunteer File.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration Service

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cc: Western Region

READY TO FILE  
JUN 14 1990  
ERIN O'RILEY

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3313 Mendoc St.  
Bellingham, WA 98225

June 7, 1990

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Dear Paul:

Please take appropriate action to place Walter C. Barnes in the Confidential File. Enclosed please find copies of a newspaper article and a confidential record sheet.

Thank you for your prompt action.

Sincerely,

  
Jerry D. Hastings  
Scout Executive

Enclosures  
JDH:mg

A UNITED WAY AGENCY





## Summer sports camps

List of numerous programs  
available to young athletes

Sports, B3

Apple growers like  
Japanese import

Business, A7

# The Bellingham Herald

June 2, 1990

A Gannett newspaper

Bellingham, Washington

35 Cents

## Cops warn of sex predator

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taurant before and after school," Pierce said. "He allowed them to buy cigarettes and hamburgers on credit and provided them with alcohol. They have statements from students who were told they could pay their tab by having sex with him. He also invited young boys home and provided alcohol and pornographic movies for them to watch."

Pierce said Minnesota detectives said Barnes had been in Duluth for about two years and that prior to that he lived in Florida. Similar complaints were filed there, but Barnes was not arrested.

"They advised that if Barnes is in the food-service industry, he may run into young boys and prey on them," the chief said.

Barnes failed to complete the sex-offender treatment program, Pierce said. Barnes then asked for his parole supervision to be transferred to Bellingham, but Washington state Department of Corrections personnel declined the transfer and notified him of their rejection in February.

On March 20, a Minnesota parole officer advised local police that Barnes moved to Bellingham anyway, and that under Minnesota law, they could not revoke his release on the basis of his failure to complete the treatment program.

Local parole officers have accepted supervision of Barnes rather than have him remain unsupervised, Pierce said. Barnes will remain on parole for five years, the chief said.

Police released the information on Barnes based on a law passed during this year's legislative session that toughened penalties for convicted sex offenders and required them to register with the county sheriff.

Pierce said police learned of Barnes' arrival in Bellingham when he registered with the Whatcom County Sheriff's Office May 16.

"The new law has given us very little guidance about when to make these sorts of notifications," Pierce said.

Police consider Barnes among those who present the greatest potential danger to the community, Pierce said. More than a dozen convicted sex offenders so far have registered with the sheriff's office, he said, but police have not released information on them to the public.

"We're trying to work out a definition of who fits in what level," he said. "It's a very difficult situation."

Pierce said Barnes has relatives in the community and that he lives with his mother.

The chief said he decided to notify the public in hopes that parents and children would be aware of Barnes' presence and exert caution. Police will not tolerate any harassment of Barnes, Pierce said.

He said parents need to be cautious in telling their children about Barnes. Although parents should show children his picture, Pierce said, they should not make children afraid of a "sex predator" behind every tree.

Pierce said parents need to tell children that they don't have to do everything an adult tells them to do and that they can run, scream or refuse to cooperate in unsafe situations.

He said investigators personally contact police agencies that have dealt with the offenders to determine the level of danger to the community.

Pierce said he had "a great deal of concern" about releasing detailed information on Barnes. But the chief said the police department would rather "err on the side of protecting potential victims."

## Cops warn of sexual predator

By CATHY LOGG  
of the Herald staff

Bellingham police on Friday warned the community about a convicted sexual predator who moved to the city from Minnesota and lined up employment as a cook at a summer youth camp.

Walter C. Barnes, 55, of 1310 Astor St., is employed by Marriott Food Service at Western Washington University. He also had tentatively been hired to cook at a summer youth camp, Police Chief Don Pierce said.



Barnes

Pierce said Barnes failed to complete a court-ordered sex-offender treatment program in Minnesota and "is potentially dangerous." The chief said psychological profiles indicate Barnes is likely to commit more sex crimes.

Barnes was convicted of third-degree criminal sexual conduct in 1988 in Duluth, Minn., Pierce said.

"The background of Mr. Barnes, his inability to successfully complete treatment, and his access to potential victims because of his employment, led us to believe he posed a threat to our community," the chief said during a press conference Friday.

Barnes said he was unaware that police intended to release information about him. He declined to comment further.

In addition to releasing information on Barnes to the media, Pierce said an officer would go door-to-door Friday night informing Barnes' neighbors about his potential danger to the community.

Michael Lee, Western's food services director, confirmed that Barnes is employed by Marriott and said the company had just received notification of Barnes' background on Friday.

"We're evaluating the situation," Lee said. "Once we've done that, we'll have things to say."

Pierce said that in addition to his job at Western, Barnes planned to start work in July for another company as a cook at a youth camp. Pierce did not identify the company but said it also had been informed of Barnes' past.

Pierce said Barnes in 1988 gave a 14-year-old Minnesota boy alcohol and drugs to the point that the boy was incapacitated. Barnes then raped and sodomized the boy, the chief said.

The youth later told several people what had happened, Pierce said, and became so depressed that he committed suicide. After the boy's death, Duluth police investigated and prosecutors charged Barnes with two counts of criminal sexual conduct.

Barnes pleaded guilty to one count and was sentenced to a year in prison and ordered to complete a program for sexual deviants and to pay a \$200 fine. He apparently was not forbidden to have contact with juveniles, Pierce said.

Pierce said Duluth police described Barnes as a sexual predator, indicating he operated a restaurant a few blocks from a junior high school.

"He encouraged kids to come by the res-

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CALL BACK REQUESTED \_\_\_\_\_

COUNCIL #

603

PHONE NO: \_\_\_\_\_

On-Line \_\_\_\_\_

Batch \_\_\_\_\_

CALLER:

JERRY HATTINGS

POSITION: \_\_\_\_\_

TYPE OF PROBLEM

REGISTRATION \_\_\_\_\_

VETERANS \_\_\_\_\_

DEBIT \_\_\_\_\_

CREDIT \_\_\_\_\_

PROGRAM CODE

&amp; UNIT #

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~~WALTER BARNES~~  
DOB 7-6-34SEXUAL PREDATOR - REGISTERED  
IN WASHINGTON

MINNESOTA &amp; FLORIDA CONVICTED

SOLUTION:

APPLIED FOR Cuck - SUMMER CAMP

Added to TV file  
Could locate no registration

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